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Dr. Jem Spector  
President  
University of Pittsburgh  
Johnstown

Dear Dr. Spector:

From one West African visionary and leader to another, I would like to extend my congratulations to you for your achievements in academia. Indeed, a solid educational foundation is the underpinning of a great university, and a great nation.

It is with pride that I recognize the contributions by the University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown to its community of students, faculty and staff and wish you well as you embark on a most important mission as President.

As a person of African descent in the U.S., you have shown our continental compatriots here and abroad that hard work and dedication do pay off. Your passion and professional contributions to scholarly work focused on international human rights and the rule of law are indeed an asset to the entire University. The nation of Cameroon will undoubtedly boast of your achievements as a child of their soil.

Best wishes to you and the University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown.

Sincerely,

  
Ellen Johnson Sirleaf